BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-262-W/S - ORDER NO. 98-451

JUNE 17, 1998

Application of Harbor Island Utilities, Inc. for Approval of an Increase in its Rates and)	ORDER DENYING MOTION TO COMPEL
Charges for Water Service.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion to Compel filed in this Docket by the Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina (the Consumer Advocate). The Motion asks this Commission to compel Harbor Island Utilities, Inc. (Harbor Island) to provide answers to certain interrogatories requesting 1) actual operating expenses for years 1995, 1996, and 1997; and 2) explanations for variances in Operation and Maintenance expenses between fiscal year 1996 and fiscal year 1997. Harbor Island filed responses to the Motion.

With regard to the actual operating expenses for the three years, Harbor Island notes that the information requested is contained in the form of annual reports already provided to the Consumer Advocate. Harbor Island, in its response to the Motion, answered the second question. For this reason, the Motion to Compel must be denied.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the

Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)